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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT RECEIVED

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following information to the Examiner's attention:

A copy of a Canadian Office Action mailed on June 18, 2003 with respect to related Application No. 2,417,991 is enclosed, in which the following document is cited:

U.S. Patent No. 5,280,586 to KUNTZ et al., which issued on January 18, 1994.

The relevance and pertinent portions of this document are as noted on the attached copy of the Canadian Office Action.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite this patent document. The above-cited document has been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate space on the attached PTO-1449 P18062.A16

Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to the Applicant with the next official

communication in the present application to confirm consideration of this document.

Since this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted

subsequent to the issuance of an Office Action on the merits, Applicant has provided below

a Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), and thus, believes no fee is necessary to ensure

consideration of this statement.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), the undersigned hereby states that each item

of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any

communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more

than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. Of course, this

statement does not apply to information that has previously been cited by Applicant or the

Examiner in the present application as that information is already of record and no

certification is necessary.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at

the below-listed number.

Respectfully submitted,

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